

**Board of Elections
Notice of Public Hearing to Adopt Rules**

A public hearing will be held in Dakota Digital Network locations at the State Capitol, 500 East Capitol, Room B12, Pierre, SD 57501; South Dakota School of Mines & Technology, 501 E Saint Joseph Street, Room 110, Rapid City, SD 57701; University of South Dakota State University, 2205 Career Place, University Center Building Room 282, Sioux Falls, SD 57107; Huron Middle School, 1045 18th St SW, Huron, SD 57350; Yankton High School, 1801 Summit Street, Yankton, SD 57078; Milbank High School, 1001 E Park Ave, Milbank, SD 57252, on July 17, 2008 at 10:00 a.m., to consider the adoption of proposed rules numbered:

- (1) 5:02:03:01, 5:02:03:19, 5:02:04:09, 5:02:05:25, 5:02:06:01, 5:02:06:10, 5:02:08:00, 5:02:08:00.01, 5:02:08:01, 5:02:08:05, 5:02:08:24, 5:02:08:35, 5:02:16:38 for amendment; 5:02:06:10.02 for repeal; 5:02:08:42 and 5:02:19:11

The effects of the rules are to amend the voter registration form to include the change for the maximum penalty for perjury; amend the address for where the voter registration address verification notice is sent; amend the municipal notice of special election to include wording for a county to use as their notice of special election; amend the personal identification affidavit to include the change for the maximum penalty for perjury; add shaded boxes for the instructions to voters on the general election ballot; add the optical scan ballot format to the primary ballot layout; amend the guidelines for acceptance of petitions to remove the date requirement which is clarified in another rule; amend the requirements for counting signatures on petitions to prohibit more than one circulator on a petition sheet; amend the declaration on the partisan nominating petition to include county commissioner under the residency requirement; amend the declaration on the independent nominating petition to include county commissioner under the residency requirement; amend the water development district director nominating petition to include the term length the candidate is running for; amend the nominating petition for road or sanitary district trustee to the nominating petition for special district trustee; amend the requirement of paper seals on the ballot box; repeal the Presidential primary ballot format; add petition format for consumers power district director; add an oath of recount board.

The reasons for adopting the rules are to comply with statutory changes and to provide clarification.

Persons interested in presenting data, opinions, and arguments for and against the proposed rules may do so by appearing in person at the hearing or by sending them to the Secretary of State, 500 E. Capitol, Pierre, SD 57501. Material sent by mail must reach the Secretary of State on or before July 11, 2008 in order to be taken into consideration. The board may modify or amend a proposed rule to include or exclude matters that are described in this notice.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Please notify the Secretary of State at least 48 hours before the public hearing if you have special needs for which special arrangements must be made. The telephone number for making special arrangements is (605) 773-3537.

Copies of the proposed rules are available at <http://www.sdsos.gov/electionsvoteregistration/boardofelections.shtm> or may be obtained without charge from the Election Department, Secretary of State's Office, 500 E. Capitol, Pierre, 57501.